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THERE FOLLOWS BELOW THE TEXT OF THE DRAFT COVER NOTE (MENTIONED IN REFTEL) TO BE APPENDED TO THE PROPOSAL FOR A TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC EQIPMENT. WE WILL FORWARD BASIC PAPER WHEN RECEIVED (WITHIN A WEEK). BEGIN TEXT:

PROPOSAL FOR THE FORMATION OF A TRI-SERVICE GROUP UNDER THE CNAD ON COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT NOTE BY THE SECRETARY REFERENCES: (A) AC/259-DS/16(FINAL), ITEM I(B)

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AT ITS MEETING IN OCTOBER, 1975, THE CONFERENCE WAS ADVISED THAT IN THE COURSE OF PREPARING THE REPORT ON THE INTEROPERABILITY AND SECURITY OF MILITARY COMMUNICATIONS IN NATO, THE DRAFT OF WHICH HAS SINCE BEEN PUBLISHED UNDER

REFERENCE (B), IT HAD ALREADY BECOME OBVIOUS THAT THERE WAS A NEED FOR A TRI-SERVICE GROUP TO BE FORMED, DIRECTLY UNDER THE CNAD, TO WORK IN THE FIELD OF COMMUNICATIONS AND ALSO IN THE CLOSELY RELATED AREAS OF AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING, IDENTIFICATION AND NAVIGATION. THE CONFERENCE WAS REQUESTED TO AGREE IN PRINCIPLE TO THE FORMATION OF SUCH A GROUP BUT IT DECIDED TO DEFER MAKING A DECISION AT THAT TIME AND, INSTEAD, TO INVITE THE NADREPS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAIN GROUPS, TO PREPARE A MORE SPECIFIC PROPOSAL FOR ITS EARLY CONSIDERATION (SEE REFERENCE (-)).

2. ATTACHED HEREWITH IS A FIRST DRAFT OF THE SPECIFIC PROPOSAL. IT DESCRIBES IN DETAIL THE PROPOSAL AS PUT TO THE NADREPS BY THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF BUT AS THIS HAS NOT YET BEEN SEEN BY THE MAIN GROUPS, AND HAS NOT YET BEEN COMMENTED UPON FORMALLY BY ALL NATIONS, THE NADREPS ARE NOT IN A POSITION, AT THIS TIME, TO DEVELOP FULLY THE DISCUSSION PART OF THE PAPER AND COME TO FIRM CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. THE DRAFT IS THEREFORE CIRCULATED SIMULTANEOUSLY TO THE CONFERENCE AND THE MAIN GROUPS TO PERMIT THE FORMER TO HAVE A FIRST EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE PROPOSAL AND THE LATTER TO MAKE THEIR COMMENTS KNOWN FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THE FINAL REPORT. THE FINAL REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE CONFERENCE FOR CONSIDERATION AT ITS MEETING IN OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR.

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